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COUNTY BOARD, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS ADJOURNED REGULAR SEPTEMBER A.D., 2007 SESSION MAY 13, A.D., 2008

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD:

COUNTY OF LAKE

As Chairman of the County Board, I present herewith a Resolution recognizing and commending the Lake County Sheriff's Reserve Deputy Unit on the occasion of their 30th Anniversary, and request its adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzi Schmidt, Chairman Lake County Board

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Reserve Deputy Unit started under the neighborhood watch program with citizen band radios in the late 1970's patrolling neighborhoods and notifying the Sheriff's Office of suspicious activity; and

WHEREAS, soon after, they made a plea to the Lake County Sheriff to merge as one group and to be deputized; and

WHEREAS, 16 original members were sworn in 1978 as the first Reserve Deputies and the unit today consists of 50 members who must volunteer at least 140 hours of service to the citizen's of Lake County each year; and

WHEREAS, every Reserve Deputy receives basic training in excess of 130 hours and receives yearly refresher training in a variety of areas; and

WHEREAS, men and women volunteer as Reserve Deputies out of a sense of community responsibility, and last year, volunteers contributed 9,000 hours to the county for a taxpayer savings of more than \$250,000; and

WHEREAS, Reserve Deputies can be seen supplementing various local police departments at summer festivals, helping direct traffic at road hazards and accidents, assisting with evidence searches and helping out in times of declared disasters with the Emergency Management Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois that we do in unison recognize and commend the Lake County Sheriff's Reserve Deputy Unit for 30 years of valuable service to the Lake County Sheriff's Department and the residents of Lake County.

DATED, at WAUKEGAN, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, on this 13th day of May A.D., 2008.